## COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND PURCHASING

(Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council)

**Chairman:** Mr. Caldwell Pinckney, Jr., Council District No. 7

A special meeting of the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND PURCHASING, Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council, was held on Monday, February 28, 2011, in the Assembly Room of the Berkeley County Administration Building, 1003 Highway 52, Moncks Corner, South Carolina, at 6:14 p.m.

**PRESENT**: Chairman Caldwell Pinckney, Jr., Council District No. 7; Committee Member Phillip Farley, Council District No. 1; Committee Member Robert O. Call, Jr., Council District No. 3; Committee Member Dennis L. Fish, Council District No. 5; Committee Member Jack H. Schurlknight, Council District No. 6; Supervisor Daniel W. Davis; Ms. Nicole Ewing, County Attorney; and Ms. Barbara Austin, Clerk of County Council.

**ALSO PRESENT**: Council Member Timothy Callanan, District No. 2, ex-officio; Council Member Cathy Davis, District No. 4, ex officio; Council Member Steve Davis, District No. 8, ex officio.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, the electronic and print media were duly notified.

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Pinckney: "Good evening may I call the Public Works and Purchasing Committee to order and I'd like to say welcome to all of you for being here with us tonight. We'd like to get started and I'm going to ask Mr. Chip Boling would you please lead us in the invocation and ask Mr. Schurlknight to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. We're going to ask that everyone stand please."

Chairman Pinckney: "We only have one item on the agenda for this evening and that's Mr. John Hamer, CPPB, Director of Procurement, and it's in reference to the Airport Consultant, Mr. Hamer..."

Mr. Hamer: "Thank you Mr. Chairman. The County went out for request for qualifications for the airport consultant. We had seven firms submit qualifications statement and the selection committee short listed that to four. We held personal interviews of those four and based on the six criteria that was in the RFQ is the selection committee recommendation that we award the contract to the LPA Group, Incorporated."

Chairman Pinckney: "What's the pleasure of the Committee?"

Committee Member Schurlknight: "Move to approve"

Committee Member Farley: "I'll second for discussion."

Chairman Pinckney: "We have a motion and a second. Questions, any discussion?"

Committee Member Farley: "Yes sir. John, what all are they going to do?"

Mr. Hamer: "Part of the project will be like environmental runway extension. Probably the relocation of the transmission line. There some tree removals that we got coming up; some of those projects."

Committee Member Farley: "They've worked with airports before and everything?"

Mr. Hamer: "Yes sir."

Committee Member Farley: "Ok."

Committee Member C. Davis: "Mr. Chairman?"

Chairman Pinckney: "Yes Ms. Davis?"

Committee Member C. Davis: "How long was WK Dickerson the consultant?"

Mr. Hamer: "They had two contracts."

Committee Member C. Davis: "Two of three years so they've been there six...?"

Mr. Hamer: "They were five year contracts."

Committee Member C. Davis: "But now we're going to three years?"

Mr. Hamer: "They all were three years with extensions. Which was total for five years; this is the same thing. The initial contract is for three years then it's for two one year extensions. Total of five years max. That was the same that was set up for WK Dickerson."

Committee Member C. Davis: "The plans that they had designed, is this LPA going to follow along those same plans or are they gonna do, redesign?"

Mr. Hamer: "No, when they do the runway extension they will be concrete."

Committee Member C. Davis: "No. No. As far as the other.... Because didn't WK Dickerson do more than just the runway? They did a lot of other planning at the airport?"

Mr. Hamer: "Yeah whatever projects that we have awarded through the FAA they did, they were our contractors for the last two contracts."

Committee Member Farley: "How far along is the .... I'm sorry, Mr. Chairman?"

Chairman Pinckney: "Yes Sir."

Committee Member Farley: "How far along are they now in finishing the airport?"

Mr. Hamer: "Might have to get Frank and ask him."

Committee Member Farley: "I was out there earlier..."

Mr. Hamer: "I think they have completed the actual concrete and I think they're doing lighting and ...but Frank can answer that better than I can."

Mr. Carson: "Going back to Ms. Davis's question, anything and the same is true on any of our indefinite delivery agreement contracts, anything that a consultant is working on they continue to work on through completion. So you don't change. We're not making a change on any ongoing projects. As far as the runway, there are two projects going on now, the runway reconstruction and the drainage improvements. Those were scheduled to be finished in the middle of March because of the weather and because FAA encouraged us to make a change in LED lighting; and have approved the additional expense so it looks like it's gonna be mid April before completion because of those extensions."

Committee Member Farley: "I've had several people to call and ask and I told them I just did not have an answer for them so thank you."

Chairman Pinckney: "What's the pleasure of the Committee?"

Committee Member Schurlknight: (inaudible)

Chairman Pinckney: "Ok I'm sorry. All in favor? (Ayes) Opposes, Nay? (No Response) Motion carries."

It was moved by Committee Member Schurlknight and seconded by Committee Member Farley to **award** the Airport Consultant Contract to The LPA Group, Inc. for a three year contract with two additional one year extensions. The motion **passed** by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

Chairman Pinckney: "I would like to entertain a motion for adjournment."

Committee Member Farley: "Move for adjournment."

Committee Member Schurlknight: "Second."

Chairman Pinckney: "We have a motion and a second. All in favor? (Ayes) We stand adjourned. Thank you."

It was moved by Committee Member Farley and seconded by Committee Member Schurlknight to **adjourn** the Public Works and Purchasing special meeting. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

The meeting ended at 6:20 pm.

March 14, 2011 Date Approved